

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents as follows.

In the Specification

Please the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 2, (after the title) as follows:

-- This is a continuation-in-part of ~~allowed~~ U.S. application Serial No. 09/915,169, filed on July 25, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,669,936, which is a divisional application of U.S. application Serial No. 09/224,014, filed on December 28, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,312,682, which is a continuing application of PCT/GB97/02857, filed October 17, 1997 and claiming priority to Great Britain Patent application Nos. 9621680.9, filed on October 17, 1996, and 9624457.9, filed on November 25, 1996. This application makes reference to U.S. application Serial No. 10/408,456, filed on April 7, 2003. --